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From: Commandant of the Marine Corps
To: Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command,
200 Stovall St., Alexandria, VA 22332

Subj: Navy Assessment and Control of Installation Pollutants
(NACIP) Confirmation Study for MCAS Cherry Point, NC

Ref: (a) MCO P11000.8B
(b) CG MCAS Cherry Point ltr LMN-hh/RDN over 11100 of
16 Feb 1984 (NOTAL)
(c) COMLANTNAVFAC ltr 114:JGW:ssw over 6280 of 21 Feb 1984

1. The Navy Assessment and Control of Installation Pollutants (NACIP) program Initial Assessment Study (IAS) for Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Cherry Point, North Carolina was completed in March 1983. In accordance with reference (a), the findings were forwarded to appropriate state and Federal environmental regulatory agencies on 24 May 1983. Notification to the general public of the availability of the study report was also made at that time.

2. Reference (b) identified concerns raised by the City of Havelock, North Carolina regarding possible contamination of its drinking water supplies. A local newspaper has suggested the source of this contamination to be the Air Station. Subsequent to completion of the IAS, MCAS Cherry Point personnel conducted a one time water quality sampling of surface and ground waters in the vicinity of the Roosevelt Boulevard and 101 Area landfills (IAS sites 10 and 21, having confirmation study ranking system values of 26.5 and 17 respectively). Results of this sampling indicated detectable levels of chemical contamination.

3. The most recent schedule for initiation of Confirmation Studies (CS) to be performed under the cognizance of the Atlantic Division of the Naval Facilities Command was forwarded by reference (c). This schedule indicated the CS for MCAS Cherry Point had been advertised, yet funding would not be provided until fourth quarter FY1984 or first quarter FY1985. If the historical delays in receiving appropriations continue, this schedule could result in even more delays before CS efforts are underway.

4. Due to the urgent requirement to address the concerns of the local community, the need to determine the significance of the water quality data gathered to date, and the desire to pursue the full NACIP program in a timely manner, it is requested every

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effort be made to award the confirmation study contact for MCAS Cherry Point during third quarter FY1984 and initiate field monitoring efforts no later than 1 July 1984. It is further requested this Headquarters be kept apprised of the progress made in meeting this schedule. The point of contact is Mr. Paul Hubbell (Code LFL) on (202) 694-1929/1966 or Autovon 224-1929/1966.

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